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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Current Intelligence

SUBJECT : Comments on 40 Committee Paper

- 1. Our only comment on the program is a minor one which involves analysis of Soviet political trends rather than the program itself. We believe that the description of Soviet dissidence in the 1970s (P. 3) should emphasize its continuing vitality rather than its growth. We interpret the increasing incidence of arrest and incarceration of dissidents in mental institutions as evidence of a change in tactics by the authorities, rather than as an "increase" in an already widespread phenomenon.
- 2. Khrushchev used dissent as a political lever, turning it against his more conservative colleagues, in his campaign to revitalize Soviet society. His successors appear to have joined in a gentleman's agreement not to use dissent against each other, but rather to unite in muffling it.

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3. These comments should in no way be read, however, as a denigration of the importance of Soviet dissent,

4. From the East European Branch's point of view, the stated impact of these projects squares with our knowledge and experience. This is something that is difficult to quantify, and we doubt that further studies would seriously advance our knowledge of the impact these projects have.

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